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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Documents C1, C2, C4, C6, C8, C10-C15, and C17 are in English. English translations of foreign-language Documents C3, C5, C7, C9, and C16 are not readily available. Applicants have attached English-language Abstracts to Document C3, C5, and C7. Document C9 is an instruction manual for an AKTA car seat. Document C16 is an instruction manual for an Aprica car seat.

Documents C18-C25 are photographs of features of various car seats. Document C18 is photographs of an adjustable armrest of an Aprica car seat. Document C19 is photographs of an adjustable head hugger of a BeBe Comfort car seat. Document C20 is photographs of a Britax car seat, which has an adjustable backrest. Document C21 is photographs of an adjustable side bolster unit of a Concord car seat. Document C22 is photographs of an adjustable head hugger of a Fisher Price car seat. Document C23 is photographs of a seat base of a Jane car seat. Document C24 is photographs of a Century Next Step car seat, which has adjustable armrests. Document C25 is photographs of a Recaro car seat, which has an adjustable side bolster unit. Should the examiner desire, the photographs of these car seats could be discussed at a personal interview.

The instruction manuals of Documents C8-C12 and C14-C17, and the car seats shown in Documents C18-C25, were first publicly available at a date presently undetermined, but believed to be not later than the effective filing date of the present application.



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		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
	C1	5,466,043		Lambert et al.	11-14-1995	
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	C3	EP	0 121 899	A2	Keiper Recaro GmbH & Co.	10-17-1984		Abst.
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	C5	EP	0 056 614	A2	Benjamin Products B.V.	07-28-1982		Abst.
	C6	WO	93/22954		Chrysler Corporation	11-25-1993		
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	C8	MAXI-COSI, Maxi-Cosi Rodi Car Seat Brochure, date undetermined, 2 pp., Maxi Miliaan B.V.	
	C9	AKTA, AKTA Car Seat Instruction Manual, date undetermined, 12 pp., AKTA.	
	C10	BEBE COMFORT, Hipsos Car Seat Instruction Manual, date undetermined, 8 pp., Ampafrance S.A.	
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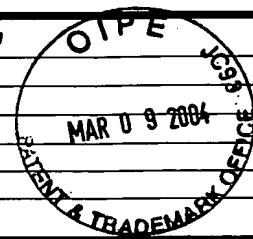
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	C12	RECARO, Recaro Start Car Seat Instruction Manual, date undetermined, 13 pp., Recaro North America.	
	C13	EVENFLO, Evenflo RightFit™ Car Seat Instruction Manual, July 1996, 7 pp., Evenflo.	
	C14	BRITAX, Britax Roadster™ Belt Positioning Booster Seat instruction Manual, January 2001, 20 pp., Britax Child Safety Inc.	
	C15	CONCORD, Concord I ₂ MAGE Car Seat Instruction Manual, date undetermined, 52 pp. Concord GmbH.	
	C16	APRICA, Aprica Car Seat Instruction Manual, date undetermined, 24 pp., Aprica.	
	C17	JANE, Jane Bodyguard Car Seat Instruction Manual, date undetermined, 2 pp., Jane, S.A.	
	C18	Photographs of Aprica Car Seat, date undetermined, 2 pp.	
	C19	Photographs of BeBeComfort Car Seat, date undetermined, 2 pp.	
	C20	Photographs of Britax Car Seat, date undetermined, 3 pp.	
	C21	Photographs of Concord Car Seat, dated undetermined, 5 pp.	
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